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TO: All Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Financial Secretaries, Bargaining Committee Chairs, CAP Chairs and Area CAP Chairs – Region 4 UAW

Greetings:

On **Saturday, April 27, 2024, at 10:00 AM,** we will convene our annual **Spring Regional Conference** at the UAW Pat Greathouse Educational Center, 1000 E. Center Street, Ottawa, Illinois.

In today's fast paced digital age, we find it more and more difficult to congregate in person. As great as technology can be, **there is no substitute for working people coming together** to define our challenges, debate our approach to overcoming them, and determine our path forward. There is no better place to do that than the Pat Greathouse Educational Center (PGC).

The staff of Region 4 strongly encourages you, and members of your local union, to participate in all of the opportunities offered at PGC this conference season, starting with this Spring Conference and continuing through the Fall Conference. Members of our great UAW have proven - when we STAND UP, together - we win! See you soon!

We will be selling Regional Conference meal tickets at **\$15.00 each** to help defray expenses. Tickets will be available from your International Representative. *Checks should be made payable to:* "<u>REGION 4 ACTIVITY</u> <u>FUND</u>". Even if a local is not in attendance at the conference, purchasing of tickets is encouraged. Refreshments and lunch will be served at the conclusion of the conference. Failure to purchase a ticket for the conference will not prevent a member from attending. However, those who eat must pay for the meal if they have not purchased a ticket. If income from the event exceeds expenses, the surplus will be deposited in the Region 4 Activities Fund and be used, at the request of the Regional Director, for proper union purposes. Contributions or gifts to the UAW are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal Income Tax purposes.

Reservations for rooms at the Pat Greathouse Center Hotel, if required, should be made by the Local Unions by calling the Regional Office at 847-459-3888.

<u>NOTE</u>: PGC check-in will be Friday, April 26th from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 PM. If a delegate is unable to check-in during the above-mentioned hours, please contact your Education Coordinator, Brad Schwanda at <u>bschwanda@uaw.net</u>, to make special arrangements for room key pick-up. Check-out will be Saturday, April 27th by noon or immediately after lunch.

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Once the Center has been filled Locals will be asked to call one of the following hotels to arrange their own accommodations: Fairfield Inn (815) 431-8955, Comfort Inn (815) 433-0029 and Super 8 (815) 434-2888; or any other hotel in the area. <u>However, I suggest avoiding the Ottawa Holiday Inn - it was built by anti-union contractors.</u> Please note the Hampton Inn will be temporarily closed due to a full remodel of their facility from March 8th until approximately mid-May.

On Friday, April 26th, at 6:00 pm we will have a Solidarity Mixer for all delegates who come in the evening before the Conference.

For your convenience a copy of this call letter is available on the Region 4 website. We ask that you notify your chairpersons to visit <u>https://region4.uaw.org/regional-call-letters</u> to obtain a copy of this call letter.

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